GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA

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PROJECT ON E-AUCTION OF SCRAP
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Railways are working on a pilot project of e-auctioning of its scrap spread across the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the time by which it is likely to be implemented; (

(c) the income generated by the Railways by sale of scrap during the last three years and the current year; and

(d) the steps taken by the Railways to ensure that only discarded materials and those outlived their life are auctioned as scrap?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI K.H. MUNIYAPPA)

(a) Yes, Madam.

(b) Development of system is currently taking place. Trial run is likely to start by April 2012.

(c)

Year	Scrap sale achieved
2008-09	Rs.3004.73 crores
2009-10	Rs.3525.46 crores
2010-11	Rs.4408.84 crores
2011-12	Rs.1919.88 crores (till October , 2011).

(d) Well organized procedures and systems exist on the Railways for the disposal of scrap. Disposal process is initiated only after the material outlived its life/discarded has been declared as scrap by a committee of officers and approved by competent authority. Similarly delivery of sold scrap lots is witnessed by representatives of custodian, accounts and security to ensure that only sold scrap is delivered. Thus, there are adequate safeguard in the system to ensure that only material outlived their life/discarded is sold as scrap.